

## A M E N D M E N T

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

### IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

- Page 1, line 18, please delete "\_\_\_\_\_" and substitute --09/045,036--.  
Page 1, line 20, please delete " (Attorney Docket No. WD2-97-558)".  
Page 1, line 21, please delete "\_\_\_\_\_" and substitute --09/045,518--.  
Page 1, line 22, please delete " (Attorney Docket No.".   
Page 1, line 23, please delete "WD2-97-561)".  
Page 1, line 23, please delete "\_\_\_\_\_" and substitute --09/045,084--.  
Page 1, line 25, please delete " (Attorney Docket No. WD2-97-564)".  
Page 1, line 26, please delete "\_\_\_\_\_" and substitute --09/045,347--.  
Page 1, line 27, please delete " (Attorney".  
Page 1, line 28, please delete "Docket No. WD2-97-558)".

### IN THE CLAIMS:

Please **AMEND** the claims as follows

- A1
1. (AMENDED) A method for controlling the performance of a supplementary process at a point-of-sale terminal, comprising:  
measuring an activity rate of a point-of-sale terminal; and  
providing [performing] a product offer [supplementary process] in accordance with the activity rate.
  2. (AMENDED) The method of claim 1, in which the step of providing [performing] a product offer [supplementary process] comprises:  
disabling a system for providing a product offer [supplementary process] if the activity rate is greater than a predetermined threshold.
  3. (AMENDED) The method of claim 1, in which the step of providing [performing] a product offer [supplementary process] comprises:  
enabling a system for providing a product offer [supplementary process] if the activity rate is less than a predetermined threshold.
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- A2
5. (AMENDED) An apparatus for controlling the performance of a supplementary process at a point-of-sale terminal, comprising:  
a storage device; and  
a processor connected to the storage device,  
the storage device storing a program for controlling the processor; and